

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: 9/21 /05

Division: Management Services

Bulk Item: Yes X No

Department: Administrative Services

AGENDA ITEM WORDING:

Approval to purchase Specific Excess Workers' Compensation Insurance from Safety National Casualty Corporation at a rate of .2591 per \$100 of payroll for a projected annual premium in the amount of \$158,377.00 for FY 05/06. Waiver of purchasing policy is requested to the extent that a change in carrier only requires a waiver. (Broker remains unchanged) Approval to renew the Accidental Death & Dismemberment Policy with Hartford Life & Accident Insurance Company in the amount of \$2,822.00.

ITEM BACKGROUND:

The County is currently insured with Midwest Employers Casualty Company for this fiscal year. The current premium is .3011 per \$100 of payroll for a projected premium of \$168,443.00. The significant reduction in premium is due to the softening workers' compensation insurance market and favorable claims experience.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

This insurance contract was last bid on 2/29/03 for the 03/04 fiscal year. Low bidder at that time was Midwest at a rate .3543 per \$100 payroll for a projected premium of \$197,271.00.

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

Change in carrier from Midwest to Safety National. Both companies are AM Best "A" rated carriers. Safety National's contract language is more favorable to the County. (Stronger aircraft coverage, better definition of "occurrence," and continued "Statutory" coverage.)

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approval

TOTAL COST: \$ 161,199.00

BUDGETED: Yes X No

COST TO COUNTY: \$161,199.00

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Primarily ad valorem

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No X **AMOUNT PER MONTH** **Year**

APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:

Sheila A. Barker

DOCUMENTATION: Included X To Follow Not Required

DISPOSITION: _____
Revised 1/03

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